

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A resin molding die comprising:

at least an upper die and a lower die provided with a cavity into which a liquid resin is injected to form the resin upon curing;
a resin inlet provided within the upper die to inject the liquid resin into the cavity; and
~~a first an air vent that serves as a passage for the liquid resin and through which air within the cavity and the resin inlet [[is]] can be released to an exterior space of the resin molding die when the liquid resin is injected into the cavity by means of self weight thereof.~~

- 2-4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently amended) A resin molding die according to claim 1, wherein:

~~the resin is a thermosetting resin; and at least a portion of the resin inlet is capable of being in an open state when the resin molding die is heated to or above a curing temperature of the thermosetting resin during injection of the resin.~~

- Claims 6-13 (Canceled)

14. (Currently amended) ~~The~~ A resin molding die of claim 1, wherein the ~~first~~ air vent is provided at an opposite side of the resin inlet with respect to the cavity of the upper die.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Previously presented) The A resin molding die of claim [[15]] 14, wherein the ~~second air vent is formed by a gap between the upper die and the lower die, the gap being adapted to fill the resin into the cavity, to extrude air disposed in the cavity to the second air vent by means of the injected resin and to not discharge the resin injected into the second air vent to the exterior space upon curing the injected resin within the second air vent.~~

17. (New) A resin molding die of claim 16, wherein the air vent further comprises a resin bin.